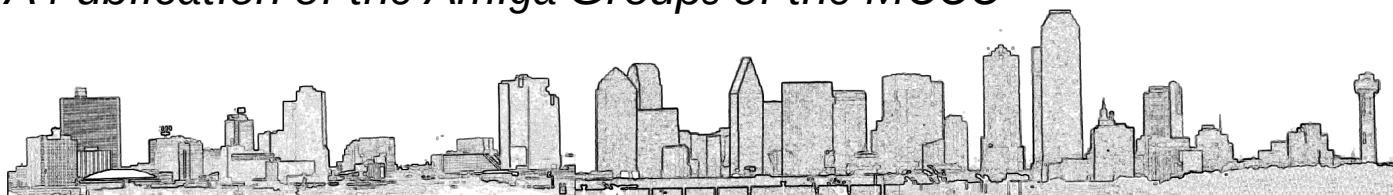


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Extravaganza Update

Remember... September 25

With its imminent release, our show seems to be taking on a 3.5 OS theme. A class/demo of 3.5 will be held and copies of the new OS will be available at the show. Amiga Wares, (shirts, caps and more), from Randomize will also be available at the show. I am working on having a dealer at the show. Check the club web site for the latest information. Flea market forms are completed and will be available at the August meetings. We need your hardware and software to sell. Below is a list of collectors for flea market items if you can not attend a meeting.

<u>Collector</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Mark Stodola	Cedar Hill	(972) 299-6824
Ned Kelly	Arlington	(817) 277-5825
David Owens	Fort Worth	(817) 847-5486
Dan Stockelman	Dallas	(972) 985-8522

Your help is needed to make the show a success, please let me know if you can volunteer at the flea market, even if it is only for an hour or two. Contact me on the BBS or on the internet at mstodola@airmail.net or call me at metro (972) 299-6824.

...Mark Stodola

3.5 Order Update

Order your copy now!

So far we have received orders for 17 copies. Software Hut has agreed to sell us copies for \$51 each including shipping. Several people have asked about getting 3.1 ROMs. Software Hut has agreed to sell us A3000/A4000/A1200 3.1 ROMs for \$40 each including shipping. A500/A600/A2000 3.1 ROMs are \$28 each including shipping.

If you have an interest in placing an order, let me know as soon as possible. The order can be changed up until the

day it ships. Please send your payment to the club.

If you have any questions leave mail on the BBS, call me at metro (972) 299-6824 or leave me email at mstodola@airmail.net.

...Mark Stodola

Amiga By-The-Loop

Meeting reminder

The Amiga By-The-Loop chapter will be meeting on an off-schedule day again this month. Our meeting day will be the second Monday — August 9. Beginning in September, we will resume our normal meeting day of the second Tuesday of the month.

And don't forget, beginning last month, the Amiga-By-The-Loop Chapter resumed meeting at the North Richland Hills Community Center on the southeast corner of the Loop 820/Rufe Snow intersection. The meeting rooms are on the second floor of the east end of the building. Check out the AGM website for a map.

...Bill Raecke

The Net Connection

All that I couldn't fit here...

This is one of those months when I wish I were doing a twelve or sixteen page newsletter again. To begin with, Johnny Kitchens sent in an excellent article on ProfFileSystem 2 (PFS2). I tried for several hours to find a way to make it fit in this space, but finally had to give up. Check out the AGM web site for Johnny's review. All I can say is that I've added it to my list of things to buy in the near future. He made a believer out of me.

Of course, the big news is the news out of Amiga... that QNX is out and the Linux kernel is in. The shock waves still haven't settled down from that yet, with many people feeling that Linux doesn't have as much to offer as

QNX did. I'm not enough of a techie to know if that's true or not. I do know that keeping the Linux kernal current with the latest hardware drivers, etc. is likely to be an easier proposition, since there seems to already be a lot of interest in Linux in the computing world. To average users like you and I, what kernal is being used is of little importance. We'll never see it, just as we never see the Amiga kernal (the 3.1 ROM) that's there now. What we'll be looking for is a top-notch, ground-breaking new interface that Amiga has been and is still promising, and blistering fast performance. Whether Amiga can deliver on the promise remains to be seen, but I don't see that the announcement of a different kernal has any bearing on the outcome at all. Speaking for myself, I'm still on the bandwagon and still waiting to plunk my money down on a new Amiga NG.

Anyway that's my two cents worth. For a collection of press releases, claims and counter-claims, and opinions

on the subject, check out the web site. If you're not up on the latest developments yet, you should be.

Of course, you'll also find the regular month's collection of files to download. We're no AmiNet, but there are a few gems to be had. And, of course, AmiNet doesn't have the collection of pictures that I put out there every month.

A preview of coming attractions... I am the proud owner of an Amiga 2000 and the not-quite-so-proud owner of a Compaq Windows '98 machine (I needed the PC for work). Ever since I got the PC (in January), I've been trying to get it networked to my Amiga so that I can share files, move things back and forth, etc. It's not as easy to do as it might sound. As soon as I get one more piece of software (that should be in the mail to me now) I'll be ready to share my experiences and whatever knowledge I have gained. Look for a column in September.

...Bill Raecke

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August Calendar

Aug 9 — Amiga By-The-Loop Chapter
7:30 pm — N.Richland Hills Community Ctr.
Loop 820 at Rufe Snow, N.Richland Hills

Aug 9 — MCCC Board of Director's Meeting
Approx. 10:00 pm — TGI Friday's
Loop 820 & Bedford Euless Road

Aug 19 — Amiga North Dallas Chapter
7:30 pm — SMU Building
Collins Blvd. & International Pkwy, Richardson

Aug 28 — Newsletter Deadline — 7:00 am

Membership Watch

Expired July, 1999

None



Check the AGM Website for more info...